

## Friends of Osceola Public Library

August 24, 2024

Present: Anne Miller, Miriam Flysjo, Sherry Hanson, Kathie Nelson, Marian Quinn, Barb Wetzel

The meeting was called to order at 10:30 a.m. by Miriam.

**Approval of agenda:** remove Book Pages, add sale of books via online vendor. Sherry/Cheryl, passed.

**Director's report**—Anne, highlights—2025 budget; 6.1% increase to MORE, 1.66% of total MORE budget; 24 new patrons; SLP well attended; book bike to Evergreen; new computers; lib bldg. fund used for computers; will ask village for funds incl work computers;  
Blinds—esp for children's—Budget Blinds, \$19,000; anonymous gift of \$12,000; bal \$7,000+; FL & NR; (our garage sale \$1,101)

**Library website:** Discussion of Friends' info on OPL website; direct link to Friends under 'about' tab; need pdf of our membership form (Cheryl, Quinn, Kathie will work on); our meeting minutes (add [rhoverman@osceolapubliclibrary.org](mailto:rhoverman@osceolapubliclibrary.org) & [amiller@osceolapubliclibrary.org](mailto:amiller@osceolapubliclibrary.org)) to membership list as he posts minutes); post newest minutes first; feature giveBig; discontinue bookplate for now. New Friends photos needed (Cheryl?)

**Approval of July minutes**—Cheryl sent thank you to Kelly J. Sherry/Cheryl, passed.

**Treasurer's report**—Daily sales will be on Sept report; includes donations from book bike sales. Cheryl/Quinn, passed

**Library board meeting**—Miriam couldn't attend August 8 meeting.  
September 12- Carole? October 10 Miriam. Sherry will go in Sept if Carole not.

**Book Sale, Sept. 7:** Miriam will send signup genius to non-member volunteers; 3 p.m. Friday, Sept. 6  
From Sign up Genius **September 7 sale:**  
First shift 9:30- 12:30, Leader- Miriam, Volunteers: Elaine, Barb  
Second shift: 12:30 to 3:30, Leader- Quinn, Volunteers: Sherry, Kathie  
In 2025, in April contact Community Fair/Wheels & Wings to be sure our sale is a listed event of w/e.

**Books and Biscotti**—Kathie will make signs. Barb will write press release & submit to area papers. Audience survey at event on chairs (How did you hear about event? Suggestions for guest presenters. What draws you to B&B?) Print advertising—Motion for up to \$200 in area papers, Cheryl/Sherry, passed. Quinn will ask Anne to request Beth's books on MORE for display, borrowing before program. Maureen is baking, Sherry collecting containers.

**Window Blinds for library**—Blinds--\$6380 of total estimate remaining after anon gift. Motion Cheryl/Sherry to give \$3200. Passed

**Grant for large print materials from Anderson Foundation**—Cheryl & Barb provided Joan Nabbefeld with info for grant, who conferred with Anne. The ask is for \$5,000.

**American Girl dolls**--How to sell? Discussion about possibilities. Miriam will talk to Anne re: lib's Fb page, maybe Kathy. If not, Barb will talk to Wayne. Diane B take photos?

**Selling used books to online vendor**, Brandon Beebe (brandonsbooks.com)—Barb shared info which came to our email. Discussion. BB provides scanner @ no cost, which sends info to their website. Consensus chose option A by which we would be paid \$2/bk accepted by them. Prepaid postage labels provided, boxes 35#; paid out each month. When we visited sales room, we proposed scanning books by our categories/genre. Start this after Wheels/Wings. Barb to communicate with BB.

**Have you read this?** Field trip to Friends room to pick out a book

Meeting adjourned @ 11:35 a.m.

Barb Wetzel, secretary